

OGC 70-0687

1 May 1970

**MEMORANDUM FOR:** Chief, Administration Staff/OC

**SUBJECT:** Proxy Marriages

**REFERENCE:** ADM-M-70-0256 memo to OGC fr C/AS/OC,  
dtd 10 Apr 70, Subject: [REDACTED]

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1. Attached for your information is a memorandum of law on the status of proxy marriages in the United States. As noted therein it was written because of past and current questions put to this office concerning such marriages. There appear to be few, if any, legal problems associated with these marriages if contracted where authorized and valid.

2. In referent memorandum you requested this information with regard to a specific case. The undersigned responded by telecon to [REDACTED] of your office and the appropriate information was dispatched to the field on 23 April (ADM-70-0568).

*Signed*

[REDACTED]  
Office of General Counsel

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**Attachment**

OGC: [REDACTED] sab

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Office of General Counsel

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2. A request has been received from the Station to provide guidance for [REDACTED] to effect a proxy marriage with his fiancée, now living in White Plains, New York, in order to establish dependency status for reimbursement for travel and associated expenses from the United States to

[REDACTED]

3. It is requested that information be furnished as to which States recognize proxy marriages and conditions under which they are recognized.

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Chief, Administration Staff, OC

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